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PREFATORY NOTE.

The suggestion to publish sketches of some of those persons who have aided in the work of founding and supporting the early Catholic churches under the adverse circumstances which in those times environed them, as outlined in the September number of this volume, does not necessarily propose to be narratives of heroic deeds or eminent official services.

The purpose is to collect, as far as practicable at this late date, and to put on record some of the work of those who have passed, as a general rule, unpretending and uneventful lives, and who are now remembered chiefly through the medium of church and family records and traditions.

In most cases these pioneers are more noted for the accomplishments of some of their descendants than for their own performances, due perhaps to more fruitful opportunities not afforded in earlier times.

The persons whose sketches have been prepared by the writer have been selected merely because he happens to know something about them and their descendants. With a few exceptions only, the writer has been personally acquainted with all of those mentioned in this paper who have died within the last fifty years.

When giving dates, the numbers of the months in this paper (after 1752) accord with the New Style.

Many omissions of names and dates in these sketches may be explained from the fact that the marriage registers at St. Joseph's church, in Philadelphia, from 1786 to 1799 have been lost; while the baptismal records of the same from 1786 to 1791 are missing. It should be remembered also that all of the registers at St. Joseph's church prior to 1758 have been lost.

A baptism recorded at St. Joseph's or St. Mary's church does not necessarily mean that it was performed in one or the other of those churches. It may have been performed at a private house and afterwards registered at the church.

TIMOTHY CARRELL.

In the early records of the Catholic churches in Philadelphia few names appear more frequently than Carrell.

In Vol. iii of these RECORDS the inscriptions on the tombstones in St. Mary's graveyard are published. In section J, vaults 9, 10 and 11 repose the remains of Timothy Carrell, his wife and two of his children.

It is not known when Timothy Carrell came to this country, but he was married in Philadelphia, in 1755, to a daughter of John Clater.

John Clater b. 1678; m. Elizabeth Mary,* b. 1686; d. 10, 11, 1762.

Their dau. Elizabeth Mary Clater, b. 1731; d. 2, 12, 1809; m. 11, 16, 1755, Timothy Carrell, b. 1723; d. 12, 5, 1786.

In 1762 Timothy Carrell subscribed £27.12.6 to the building fund of St. Mary's church; and also for the purchase of the old school-house and lot in 1781. His name appears in the published list of pew-holders of St. Mary's church from 1782 until the time of his death.

*She m. 2d, Patrick O'Neal, b. 1698; d. 2, 25, 1783. and buried in St. Mary's churchyard.

In 1785, in the *Philadelphia Directory*, his name is mentioned as wine-seller and grocer, corner of Water and Chestnut streets.

His children were baptized at St. Joseph's church; and in 1768 his slave Flora was baptized in that church.

Timothy and Elizabeth Mary Carrell had issue:

- (1) John,² b. 10, 7, 1758; d. 5, 5, 1830; m. 9, 7, 1786, Mary Judith (dau. of Capt. John Moore, of Lancaster, Pa.), b. 4, 10, 1766; d. 3, 18, 1817.
- (2) Daniel,² b. 1, 28, 1761; d. at New Orleans, 4, 25, 1818; m. Elizabeth Cullen, at Charleston, S. C.
- (3) Edward,² b. 11, 6, 1765; d. 6, 20, 1817; m. 6, 4, 1789, Mary, dau. of Patrick Byrne, of Philada.

(1) John² Carrell (Timothy) and his wife Mary Judith had issue:

- i Elizabeth Mary,³ b. 1, 5, 1788; d. 7, 21, 1863; m. at St. Augustine's church, Philada., 5, 15, 1810, Fielding Lucas, Jr., of Baltimore, b. 1783; d. 1854.
- ii Ann Louisa,³ b. 7, 4, 1789; d. 12, 24, 1823; m. 9, 7, 1809, Thomas Hurley, Jr.,* brother of Rev. Michael Hurley, O. S. A.
- iii John,³ b. 5, 8, 1791; d. —; m. 6, 24, 1825, Sarah, granddaughter of Joseph Cauffman.†
- iv Mary Teresa,³ b. 3, 4, 1796; d. 1, 19, 1828; m. at St. Augustine's church, 2, 4, 1819, William Hawkins, of Philada.
- v George Aloysius,³ b. 6, 13, 1803; d. 9, 26, 1868; was educated at Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmittsburg, Md., and Georgetown College. Ordained priest 1829. Became a Jesuit 1835. President of St. Louis University (S. J.). Consecrated bishop of Covington, Ky., by Archbishop Purcell, Nov. 1, 1853. He was assistant to Rev. Patrick Kenny, in Wilmington, Del., in 1829;‡ and also was appointed to West Chester, Pa., on January 7, 1830.

* For children of Thomas Hurley, Jr. see these RECORDS, i, 173.

† John Carrell, Jr., was a private in the Washington Guards, Capt. Thomas F. Pleasants; Col. Clement C. Biddle in 1814. See Bowen's *Hist. of Philada.*, p. 41.

‡ Father Kenny, in his diary on May 21, 1829, stated that "Rev. George A. Carrell arrived by the steamboat before 7 p. m. from Philadelp^a. He quarters himself at my head quarters (Mrs. Noel's)." His board had been previously arranged for by Father Kenny at the price of \$3.00 per week.

vi Louisa,³ b. 5, 14, 1805; d. 6, 7, 1882; m. 1, 2, 1830, Thomas C. Jenkins, of Baltimore.

Other children died young.

Mrs. Louisa (Carrell) Jenkins was educated at St. Joseph's Academy at Emmittsburg, Md. The following has been copied from a letter written to her father, John Carrell, by Mother Seton, the foundress of the Academy. It was dated "Saturday morning, June, 1819," and reads thus:

"MR. CARRELL:

"*respected Sir:*

"Your sweet child will be with you on Tuesday Eve^s at Mrs. Lucas'—Mrs. Driscoll has offered to take the best possible care of her—she leaves this on monday. If Louisa has the same regularity of conduct & temper with her family as at St. Joseph's, you will be a truly happy Father.

"May my blessing attend yourself & family, dear sir. Your Louisa will always have a warm friend in y^r grateful serv^t in Xt."

[Signed] "E A SETON"

This letter is now in the possession of Misses Eliza and Ellen Jenkins, daughters of Mrs. Louisa (Carrell) Jenkins.

The name of John Carrell is one of those most frequently mentioned in the published records of St. Mary's and St. Joseph's churches.

In the *Philadelphia Directory* for 1785 * his name appears as Goldsmith, Front St., between Market and Chestnut.

From 1791 to 1793 as Clock & Watch maker & Ironmonger, No. 32 High St. From 1794 to 1809 as Ironmonger, No. 32 High St.

From 1810 to 1817, Hardware merchant, No. 107 High St.

In 1818 he admitted his son John as a partner at 198 High St., where they continued in the same business until

*The first vol. of the *Philadelphia Directory* was published in 1785. The next vol. was printed in 1791.

1825. In the latter year his residence was at 408 South Fifth St.

John Carrell was a pew-holder in St. Mary's church in 1782 and for many years afterwards.

He was one of the trustees of that church mentioned in the Act of Incorporation, enacted Sept. 13, 1788, and he served as one of the trustees from that time until he declined a re-election, in 1811. He was the first secretary of the board, and its treasurer in 1801; and during his career as trustee he was appointed a member of many committees.

In 1796 John Carrell subscribed \$100.00 for building St. Augustine's church. He was appointed as one of the executors of many estates, including those of his wife's grandfather, Thomas Doyle, of Lancaster, Pa., whose will was probated in 1791; of Bishop Michael Egan, whose will was probated in 1814; and of Anthony Hearn, whose will was probated in 1817.*

He died suddenly in Wilmington, Delaware, while on a visit to his son, Rev. George A. Carrell,† and was buried in St. Mary's churchyard.

(2) Daniel Carrell² (Timothy) was one of the pew-holders in St. Mary's church, his name appearing in the printed lists. He subscribed £17.10 for new pews and gallery in that church in 1782. At one time he was in business with his brother John. In Mathew Carey's *Herald* of May 11, 1785, this notice appeared: "John & Daniel Carrell have removed from Market St. into Front, 6 doors

*For sketch of Anthony Hearn, see these RECORDS, vii, 58.

† Rev. Patrick Kenny wrote in his diary on May 5, 1830, "melancholy acct of Mr J^a Carrell's sudden death on his return from N. Castle, where he had taken M^r F. Lucas for the Union line to Balt^{re}."

In *Dunlap's American Daily Advertiser* of May 7, 1830, this notice appeared: "Died suddenly on Wednesday morning near Newcastle, Del., John Carrell, for many years a respectable merchant of this city. His friends and acquaintances are particularly invited to attend his funeral from the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Thomas Hurley, North Sixth, a few doors above Callowhill Street, west side this afternoon at 4 o'clock."

from old Coffee house to the house late of Philip Syng."
 "Watchmakers & jewelers."

Caroline³ (dau. of Daniel Carrell²) b. 6, 14, 1807; bap. at St. Augustine's church; d. in Philadelphia, 12, 9, 1875, unnm. Prostrated in the street by a tottering drunkard, she was fatally injured, and died a few days later.

In the proceedings connected with the distribution of the property owned by her, in 1884, it was stated that her father had no living descendants; that his wife Elizabeth (then dead) had one brother, Thomas Cullen, and three sisters—Bridget, who m. Garrett Cottringer; Margaret, who m. Caleb Foulke, and Ann, who m. ——— Coleman.

All the children of Thomas Cullen were dead.

All the children of Bridget (Cullen) Cottringer died prior to 1878 except Ann, then (1884) living in Washington, D. C.

One of the descendants of Margaret Foulke was then living, viz., Louise Foulke, of Jersey City, N. J.

All the children of Ann Coleman were dead.

(3) Edward Carrell² (Timothy) was a merchant in Philadelphia.

In 1791 his place of business was at No. 167 South Second St.

In 1794 at No. 113 South Front St.

From 1805 to 1809 at Spruce St. Wharf.

In 1810-11 at 62 South Sixth St.

In 1816-17 in Bank Alley.

In 1818 with the family of the late Edward Carrell, at 383 Mulberry St.

He died 6, 20, 1817, and he was buried in St. Mary's churchyard. Edward Carrell² was an intimate friend of Mathew Carey; and many of his letters addressed to the latter are still preserved by Messrs. Lea Brothers & Co., Philadelphia.

Edward ² and Mary (Byrne) Carrell had issue:

- i Maria Eleanor,³ b. 4, 12, 1790; d. 9, 6, 1866; m. 8, 31, 1819,
John Diamond, Jr.*
 - ii Ellen Ann,³ b. 5, 5, 1798; d. 12, 9, 1875, in Philada., unmarried.
 - iii Henry,³ b. 9, 23, 1799; d. 5, 28, 1832, unm.
 - iv Ferdinand Farmer,³ b. 9, 2, 1804; d. 1, 2, 1836, unm.
 - v Edwin Louis,³ b. 10, 25, 1806; d. 6, 14, 1830, unm.
- Other children died young.

In the will of Maria Eleanor ³ (Carrell) Diamond, probated in Philadelphia in 1866, she bequeathed, among other items:

\$1,000.00 to the Roman Catholic Society of St. Joseph for educating and maintaining poor orphan children.

\$1,000.00 to St. John's Orphan Asylum.

\$500.00 to St. Ann's Asylum for maintaining poor widows and single women.

\$500.00 to the House of the Good Shepherd.

Maria Eleanor ³ and John Diamond, Jr., had issue:

- i Ellen Ann,⁴ b. 6, 19, 1820; d. 9, 5, 1852. She entered the convent of Ladies of the Sacred Heart, 1847. Received black veil at Eden Hall, Pa., 12, 9, 1850.
- ii John Bernard,⁴ b. 4, 13, 1822; d. 8, 9, 1862, unm.
- iii Georgina,⁴ b. 4, 27, 1825; d. in Philada., Dec. —, 1875, unm.
- iv William Craig,⁴ b. 12, 30, 1828; d. 4, 1, 1873; m. 10, 25, 1853,
Sarah Josephine, dau. of Oswald Jenkins, of Md.

In the will of Ellen Ann Carrell ³ (Edward ²), probated in Philadelphia in 1876, she bequeathed, among other items:

\$5,000.00 to the Roman Catholic Society of St. Joseph for educating and maintaining poor orphan children.

*In connection with the name of John Diamond, Jr., the following has been supplied to the writer by Mr. John Bernard Diamond of Montgomery Co., Md.:

"Nicholas Bernard, b. 10, 22, 1732; m. in London, 12, 2, 1756, Elizabeth Hadspy. He died in Phila., 2, 2, 1789. Their dau., Mary Catherine, b. 9, 1, 1757; d. 9, 3, 1792; m. 1780 John Diamond, at St. Joseph's Church, Philada. Their son, John Diamond, Jr., b. 1, 11, 1781; m. 1819, Maria Eleanor Carrell. He d. 1, 9, 1842, at 204 South Front St., Philada., where his family had lived many years."

\$1,000.00 to the Theological Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo.

\$500.00 to St. John's Orphan Asylum.

\$500.00 to St. Ann's Asylum for maintaining poor widows and single women.

\$1,000.00 to the House of the Good Shepherd.

\$400.00 to her old friend Sister Mary Gonzaga.

\$1,000.00 to St. Vincent's Home.

\$500.00 to the Catholic Children's Home on Race St., near Eighteenth.

\$1,000.00 to St. Joseph's Hospital.

\$500.00 to the St. Mary's Hospital.

\$500.00 to the Little Sisters of the Poor.

\$500.00 to the Very Rev. C. I. H. Carter.

In the will of Georgina,⁴ dau. of Maria Eleanor³ (Carrell) Diamond, probated in Philadelphia in 1875, she bequeathed money to the following institutions in Philadelphia :

\$13,000.00 to the Roman Catholic Society of St. Joseph for educating and maintaining poor orphan children.

\$8,000.00 to St. John's Orphan Asylum.

\$7,000.00 to the House of the Good Shepherd.

\$10,000.00 to the Theological Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo.

\$3,000.00 to St. Joseph's Hospital.

\$2,000.00 to the Sisters of St. Francis.

\$3,000.00 to St. Vincent's Home.

\$1,000.00 to the Trustees of St. Mary's church for the support of the Parochial School.

\$1,000.00 to the Little Sisters of the Poor.*

Georgina Diamond endured ill health for many years prior to her death.

* Some of the dates enumerated above were obtained from the Bible of John Carrell now in the possession of Miss Eliza and Miss Ellen M. Jenkins, of Baltimore.

JAMES BYRNE.

Another name frequently mentioned in the early records of the Catholic churches in Philadelphia is Byrne.

James Byrne b. 1720, in Ireland, was the first of the family who came to Philadelphia.

His name appears among the list of subscribers to the fund for building St. Mary's church, in 1762, for £30. In 1767 he was an innkeeper, and kept the "Golden Fleece," on Front St.

In 1781 he subscribed £6 towards paying for the old school-house for St. Mary's church, and £7.10 for building the new school.

In 1782 his name appears in the list of pew-holders in St. Mary's church; also from 1787 to 1790.

In 1785 he lived at 507 Front St.

He was one of the Trustees of St. Mary's church mentioned in the Act of Incorporation, enacted Sept. 13, 1788. He also served as a trustee of that church in 1789.

In 1795 he subscribed £10 for building the dwelling-house for St. Joseph's church.

James Byrne, probably before 1758, married Jane Butler, a widow, whose maiden name is unknown to the writer. His stepdaughter, Rebecca Butler, married John, eldest son of Thomas Willcox, of Concord, Chester County, Pennsylvania. She moved to North Carolina, where her husband had been living since 1759.

James Byrne died 8, 19, 1795, at his house on the north side of Walnut St., west of Second, and was buried in St. Mary's churchyard.

Having no children of his own, he bequeathed, in his will, a considerable amount of property to his relations; some of which, at a later period, has been appropriated for various charitable uses; and, at the present time, is being utilized in the same good work, as may be observed in several pages in this paper:

In this will, dated April 30th, 1793, and probated 1795, he bequeathed, among other items:

To his niece, Anne Byrne, daughter of his brother Patrick, the house and lot on north side of Arch street, opposite the church burial-ground, 17 feet front.

To his niece, Eleanor Byrne, house and lot on south side of Apple-tree Alley, 17 feet front.

To his nephew, Henry Byrne, house and lot on N. W. corner of 10th and Arch streets, lot 199x153, said devise to be subject to a yearly rent of six pounds, payable to the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Society worshipping at the Church of St. Mary, for the support of the free school.

To his nephew, Patrick Byrne, lot at S. W. corner of 10th and Race streets, lot 153x198, subject to a similar rent, payable for the support of the same free school.

To his nephew, James Byrne, house and lot at N. W. corner of Second street and Carter's Alley, 18 feet front. . . .

To his wife Jane, house and lot on Walnut street where he resided, between Second and Dock streets, 26 feet front, for her life, and on her death the same to go to his niece Mary Carrol* [Carrell].

To Rebecca Wilcocks, in North Carolina, daughter of wife Jane, 200 pounds. (In a codicil this was revoked.)

After several other items, the residue of the estate was bequeathed to his brother, Patrick Byrne.

James Byrne was highly esteemed by his friends; and he was appointed executor of several estates.

He was much beloved by his stepdaughter, Rebecca, as may be seen from the following, extracted from a letter written by her at Deep River, North Carolina, on April 20th, 1793, and addressed to her cousin, Mrs. Mary Clark, in care of Edward Carrell, in Philadelphia.†

"I now write to you with more anxiety than I have ever done, on account of my dear father. My husband [John Willcox] was at Fayetteville lately, and there heard by a gentleman from Philadelphia, that my father in January lay ill; that he was given over by all that saw him. If that was the case, what have I not to fear, both for him and my dear mother? How lost and lonely must she be if it should please God to call the dear companion of so many years! Good God, com-

*All the above nephews and nieces were children of his brother, Patrick Byrne.

† This letter is now in the possession of the writer.

port and support her! . . . I can truly say that I have ever loved and honored him as a father, and as such his memory will be always dear to me. . . . Give my love to Mrs. Byrne, Mrs. Carrel, Mr. [Patrick] Byrne and Captain Barry." [Signed] "REBECCA WILLCOX."

But another and greater sorrow was in store for Rebecca Willcox. Owing to the expected early death of her step-father, James Byrne, she started for Philadelphia; and, during her absence, her husband, John Willcox, died after a brief illness. Rebecca Willcox died in North Carolina August, 1808.

Jane, the wife of James Byrne, was nearly related to Com. John Barry, U. S. N. She did not long survive her husband, as on Jan. 28, 1796, John Barry, of Northern Liberties, Philadelphia, was appointed administrator to her estate.

PATRICK BYRNE.

Patrick Byrne, a brother of James, came to Philadelphia from Ireland at a later time than the latter.

His name appears in many of the lists of subscriptions for church purposes, and as witness to baptisms and marriages registered at St. Joseph's and St. Mary's churches.

In 1781 he subscribed £4.10 towards paying for the old school-house for St. Mary's church.

In 1782 he subscribed £25 to build additional pews and gallery.

In 1795 he subscribed £10 for new school-house for St. Joseph's church.

In 1796 he subscribed \$140 for building St. Augustine's church.

From 1782 to 1790 his name appears in the published lists of pew-holders in St. Mary's church.

Soon after he came to Philadelphia he was an innkeeper, and in 1785 he lived on Front street, between Walnut and Spruce streets.

From 1791 to 1805 he lived at No. 86 South Front street.

Having accumulated a considerable amount of property, both by his own industry and by inheritance from his brother James, he retired from business in 1795, and thereafter his name appears in the *Directory* as "gentleman."

He was b. 1734; d. 7, 2, 1808, and was buried in St. Mary's churchyard.*

On 5, 30, 1770, he m., at St. Joseph's church in Philadelphia, Mary, b. 1753; d. 7, 5, 1803; dau. of Thady and Eleanor (Browne) Murphy,† and had issue, which were baptized at St. Joseph's or St. Mary's church:

- i Mary,² b. 4, 18, 1772; d. 8, 14, 1807; m. 6, 4, 1789, Edward Carrell.
- ii James,² b. 11, 30, 1773; died young.
- iii Eleanor,² b. 12, 5, 1775; died young.
- iv Henry Lawrence,² b. 8, 9, 1777; died young.
- v James Murphy,² b. 8, 8, 1779; d. 3, 2, 1817, at Graham Park, Montgomery Co., Pa., unm.
- vi Eleanor Ann Maria,² b. 4, 2, 1783; d. 3, 27, 1858; m. 1, 11, 1803, at St. Augustine's church, Pierce Maher.
- vii John,² b. 2, 24, 1786; died young.
- viii Henry Boyle,² b. 2, 20, 1787; drowned at Calcutta, 1807, unm.
- ix Ann Jane,² b. 3, 12, 1788; d. 4, 21, 1865; m. 5, 8, 1811, Francis Cassatt Clopper, of Philada., b. 7, 27, 1786; d. 12, 31, 1868.
- x Patrick John, b. 10, 6, 1790; d. 9, 2, 1829, unm.

The children of Edward and Mary² (Byrne) Carrell are given in the preceding sketch of Timothy Carrell.

Francis and Ann Jane² (Byrne) Clopper moved to Mont-

* From *Dunlap's American Daily Advertiser*, July 9, 1808: "Died, on Friday evening last, of an Apoplexy Mr. Patrick Byrne, aged seventy-four years, a native of Ireland, but resided in this city about forty years. Of him it may justly be said, he had not an enemy."

† Eleanor Murphy was a sister of Dr. John Michael Browne, a sketch of whom will appear later in these RECORDS. Concerning her death, the following notice appeared in *Dunlap's American Daily Advertiser* of July 9, 1803: "Died Sunday morning, after a lingering illness, borne with Christian fortitude and resignation, Mrs. Mary Byrne, wife of Mr. Patrick Byrne of this city; affable in her manners, and of a mild deportment, she lived beloved and died regretted by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. Her disconsolate husband and affectionate children will long lament their irreplaceable loss."

gomery County, Maryland, in 1812, where they passed the remainder of their lives.

The writer is indebted to their daughter, Mrs. Mary Augusta Hutton, now living in the old homestead there, for much of the information about her family. In a late letter she writes:

"Shortly after my parents moved to Maryland my aunt, Mrs. Eleanor Ann Maria Maher [*dau. of Patrick Byrne*] made her home with them, and lived with them until she died.

"Mrs. Maher was beloved by all who knew her. She was a most charitable woman, giving assistance to every one she knew who needed it. She built and furnished the Catholic church of St. Rose on land given by my father a short distance from our home.* She supplied all the altar wine, candles and other needful articles until she died in 1858, and my mother continued to supply them until she died, in 1865."

"Mrs. Maher educated the Rev. E. J. Sourin, well known in Philadelphia, who afterwards became a Jesuit. She also paid the expenses of another priest while he was at St. Charles College, in Harford County, Maryland, for five years."

In her will, probated in 1858, she bequeathed \$500 to "the trustees of St. Charles College, incorporated in 1829."

ROGER FLAHAVAN.

Roger Flahavan, born in Ireland in 1728; came to Philadelphia at a time unknown to the writer.

He was a widower, and brought with him his children: Roger, Jr., Thomas, John, Ann, Eleanor, Mary and Margaret.

He was an active member of St. Mary's church, and his name appears in the published "Minutes" of that church as clerk, secretary or trustee from 1782 until his death in 1792. In 1783 he was appointed treasurer of the board of trustees.†

*This church was destroyed by fire about 1890, and has been replaced by a larger one.

† See these RECORDS, iv, 247, *et seq.*

In 1781 he subscribed £6 for paying for the old school-house for St. Mary's church.

In 1782 he subscribed £30 for building additional pews and gallery for St. Mary's church.

Roger Flahavan m. (as 2d wife) 4, 2, 1768, Catharine Swan, and had issue Bridget, b. —, 1771; d. 10, 5, 1829.

He d. 12, 21, 1792, and was buried in St. Mary's church-yard. His wife Catharine, b. 1724; d. 7, 1, 1779, was buried in the same vault with her husband.*

Of the children of Roger Flahavan, Roger, Jr., is first known as a witness, with his wife Margaret, at a baptism in 1781. His name appears among the list of pew-holders in St. Mary's church in 1782, and from 1787 to 1790.

In 1781 he subscribed £1.10 to pay for the old school-house for St. Mary's church; in 1782 he subscribed \$12 for building new pews, etc.; and in 1796 he subscribed \$50 for building St. Augustine's church.†

On 5, 15, 1794, as a widower he m. Sarah, dau. of Daniel Conry. He d. 6, 24, 1799.‡

Eleanor,² dau. of Roger Flahavan, b. 1753; m. Michael Gorman. She d. 11, 14, 1778, and was buried in the same vault, at St. Mary's church, with her father.

Ann,² dau. of Roger Flahavan, m. 1, 15, 1774, at St. Joseph's church, James Gallagher. He was a china merchant, and in 1785 his store was on Second street, between Market and Chestnut.

* Relative to the death of Roger Flahavan, *Dunlap's American Daily Advertiser* of Dec. 22, 1792, contained the following notice: "Died yesterday morning, aged 64, Mr. Roger Flahavan, Sen., justly and generally regretted by all who knew him. This respectable citizen devoted the whole of his time to acts of the most unaffected piety towards his Creator; and of benevolence and beneficence towards all who were in the sphere of his acquaintance. His friends and relatives who are bereft of so valuable a connection that his exemplary life and innocent manners afford every rational hope that he has exchanged a world of fleeting joys for a never fading crown of glory."

† Mr. Henry C. Baird has supplied to the writer the following: "*The American Museum*, 1788, published by Mathew Carey, contains an 'Account of the Grand Federal Procession in Philadelphia, July 4, 1788.' On page 69 is the following: 'LXXXV, Brush-Makers. A White Flag with a Wild Boar and a Bundle of Bristles Over Him; The Motto "Federal Brush Manufactory."' The Flag carried by Mr. Roger Flahaven Jun."

In 1793-4 his store was No. 5 South Second St., and in 1799 at No. 18 South Front St.

In 1781 he subscribed £3.7.6 to pay for old school-house.

In 1782 he subscribed £25 for new pews and gallery at St. Mary's.

In 1796 he subscribed \$200 for building St. Augustine's church.

His name appears in the list of pew-holders in St. Mary's church.

He was a trustee of St. Mary's church from 1895 to 1899, and his children were baptized there. He died in 1802.

Mary,² daughter of Roger Flahavan, m. 4, 18, 1779, at St. Joseph's church, Mark Willcox, of Concord, Chester, (now Delaware) County, Pa. She d. 12, 5, 1784.*

The children of Mark and Mary (Flahavan) Willcox will be given later.

John² and Thomas,² sons of Roger Flahavan, were not married. They were partners in business until 1783.

In 1781 the firm subscribed £6 toward paying for the old school-house for St. Mary's church.

John Flahavan's name appears in the list of pew-holders in St. Mary's church in 1782; and in that year he subscribed £30 for making additional pews and new gallery there.

Early in 1782 he went to Holland on business connected with the firm, and in January, 1783, he sailed on his intended return to Philadelphia, but the vessel was wrecked. In his will, dated January 8, 1782, and probated in Philadelphia, he stated that he was in perfect health and about to make a voyage to Europe. He appears to have been an affectionate son and brother, as in his will he mentioned:

* Messrs. Flahavan & Willcox, who succeeded John & Thomas Flahavan in business, in a letter addressed to James Byrne, then in Petersburg, Va., wrote on Dec. 7, 1784: "We are very sorry to inform you that we are very much afflicted by the death of Mrs. Willcox, who departed this life Sunday morning & buried yesterday evening. She died of consumption, about three weeks after her son John was born."

"My dear sisters, Ann Gallagher, Mary Willcox, Margaret and Bridget Flahavan, brothers Thomas and Roger Flahavan, Jr."

He appointed as one of his executors, "My ever honored and respected father."

A large letter-book, containing copies of many letters written by Flahavan & Willcox, the successors of John Flahavan & Co., is now in the library of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.*

In one of these letters, of date of April 13, 1784, addressed to Mr. James Wamsley, Tellymore Castle, Wirian, Ireland, it was stated:

"It grieves us to inform you that our dear brother John Flahavan sailed from Ostend 25th Jan., 1783, & since then have no acct. of him; therefore we gave him over for lost, as there is no account from the vessel or crew. We have lately opened a House here under the underneath Firm." . . . [Signed] "FLAVAHAN & WILLCOX."

In connection with John Flahavan's record in the army, the following has been taken from a late letter of Mr. Henry Carey Baird, a great-grandson of Roger Flahavan, addressed to the writer.

In the *Official Register of the Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War*, compiled by William S. Stryker, Adjutant-General, Trenton, 1872, page 80, this record is given:

"Flahavan, John. Second Lieutenant, Captain Piatt's company, First Battalion, First Establishment, December 16th, 1775; Second Lieutenant, November 29, 1776; prisoner of war, April 22, 1777; Captain, First Regiment, September 26, 1780; resigned."

In Washington's order, Christmas morning (1776), for the march to Trenton, quoted by Stryker, "Trenton & Princeton," 1898, p. 113, is found the following:

* The firm of Flahavan & Willcox consisted of Thomas Flahavan and his brother-in-law, Mark Willcox, of Concord, Chester Co., Pa.

"Captain Washington and Captain Flahavan, with a party of forty men each, to march before the divisions and post themselves on the road about three miles from Trenton, and make prisoners of all going in or coming out of town."

And thus he was in the forefront of the fight at Trenton. General Stryker (pp. 150, 151) says:

"Marching in advance of General Sullivan's column, Captain John Flahavan, a gallant and ambitious officer of the first battalion, New Jersey Continental line, with a detachment of forty recruits for the new establishment, first came upon this picket station, and drove it in, Colonel Glover's brigade following up in pursuit of the retreating guard."

Bridget Flahavan,² youngest daughter of Roger Flahavan, married 2, 24, 1791, Mathew Carey, of Philadelphia.

Mathew Carey, born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1759, came to Philadelphia in 1784, and soon became one of the most prominent book publishers in the country. He attended St. Mary's church, and later he was a pew-holder in St. Augustine's church, where his name appears in the published list of pew-holders there from 1801 to 1808. He retired from business in 1824, and died 9, 16, 1839. He was buried in St. Mary's churchyard, in the same vault with his wife, who died 10, 5, 1829.

A sketch of Mathew Carey, with portrait, was printed in these RECORDS, Vol. ix, p. 352.

Mathew and Bridget (Flahavan) Carey had issue, who were baptized at St. Joseph's church:

- i Maria, b. 11, 21, 1792; d. 5, 11, 1863, unm., and was buried at St. Mary's.
- ii Henry C., b. 12, 15, 1793; d. 10, 13, 1879; m. 1, 21, 1819, at St. Augustine's church, Martha Leslie. No descendants.
- iii Elizabeth Catharine, b. 7, 31, 1795; d. 9, 13, 1881; m. 11, 19, 1822, at St. Augustine's church, Thomas Baird.
- iv Eleanor, b. 11, 25, 1797; d. 2, 16, 1813; and buried at St. Mary's.
- v Francis Anna, b. 5, 1, 1799; d. May —, 1873; m. 3, 6, 1821, at St. Augustine's church, Isaac Lea.

- vi Charles William, b. 6, 27, 1802.
- vii Edward L., b. 4, 7, 1805; d. 6, 16, 1845, unm., and buried at St. Mary's.
- viii Susan M., b. ———; d. 7, 17, 1844, unm., and buried at St. Mary's.

Henry C. Carey² (Mathew) was an eminent writer on subjects connected with political economy. Some of his publications had a world-wide reputation, and were translated and printed in several languages, especially his work, *Principles of Social Science*, first published in 1858 and 1859.

Mr. Carey was trained to the publishing business by his father, whom he succeeded when the latter retired in 1824.

In 1836 he retired from business, having acquired a competence. He was a strikingly handsome man, and was said to greatly resemble his mother in appearance.

Referring to his father Thomas Baird, who married Elizabeth, daughter of Mathew Carey, Mr. Henry Carey Baird has supplied to the writer the following:

"Thomas James Baird was born in Dublin, Ireland, Apr. 30, 1795. His father was arrested, and, without trial, was imprisoned for about 12 months. Released from jail, the father, accompanied by his son, about 1804, came to the United States. On June 22, 1813, Thomas J. Baird was appointed a cadet at West Point, N. Y. Graduating July 21, 1814, he was promoted third lieutenant in the light artillery service.

"1816, August 1, he was appointed second lieutenant.

"1818, June 2, appointed first lieutenant.

"1827, February 26, appointed captain, in Third Regiment of Artillery. For several years he was detailed on ordnance service, and his last duty was at the Frankford Arsenal, Bridesburg, Pa. He resigned from the army in 1828, and died at Pottsville, Pa., April 5, 1842."

Isaac Lea, who married Francis Anna, daughter of Mathew Carey, as mentioned above, was born in Wilmington, Delaware, 3, 4, 1792. He was admitted into the firm by his father-in-law in 1821, where he remained in business with the latter and his successors until 1851, when he retired.

In early life he manifested a fondness for the study of natural sciences, and during many years he made large collections of minerals, eocene fossil shells and of living fresh-water shells, especially the Unionidæ.

He published many contributions to science pertaining to the two latter subjects. His collection of eocene mollusca he gave to the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia. His other collections he bequeathed to the Smithsonian Institution.

He was elected a member of the Academy of Natural Sciences in 1815. In 1853 the degree of LL. D. was conferred on him by Harvard University.

A biographical sketch of Dr. Lea, with a bibliography of his publications, was published in 1885 as *Bulletin No. 23 of the National Museum*.

He died in Philadelphia 12, 8, 1886. When his end was approaching, the writer, who had enjoyed many happy hours in the company of Dr. Lea, especially with hammers and small picks in hands, in search for mineral specimens in Chester and Delaware counties, was summoned from a distance to the bedside of his dying friend, and arrived a few minutes only before the latter terminated his earthly career.

None of the descendants of Mathew Carey are now members of the Catholic Church, except through his daughter Elizabeth Catherine, who married Thomas Baird. The publishing business established by Mathew Carey has survived to the present time, and is being conducted by two firms whose members are his descendants.

In 1817 Mathew Carey admitted his son Henry into the business, under the name of "M. Carey & Son." In 1821 his son-in-law, Isaac Lea, was admitted, and the firm name was changed to "M. Carey & Sons." After Mathew Carey retired, on January 1, 1824, the firm became "Carey & Lea." Subsequently Edward L. Carey, a son of Mathew

Carey, was admitted, when the firm name was again changed to "Carey, Lea and Carey."

In 1829 the business was divided, and Henry C. Carey and Isaac Lea formed a firm as publishers exclusively. After several changes in firm names and members, Henry C. Carey having retired in 1836, and Isaac Lea in 1851, soon after 1865 the business came into the possession of Mr. Henry Charles Lea (a grandson of Mathew Carey), and later was known as the firm of "Lea Brothers & Co.," the members of which are, with one exception, great-grandsons of Mathew Carey. Many thousands of the letters received by Mathew Carey are still preserved, and are now in the possession of the latter firm.*

When, in 1829, the business was divided, Edward L. Carey associated with him Abram Hart, under the firm name of "Carey & Hart." After the death of Edward L. Carey, in 1845, his nephew, Mr. Henry Carey Baird (a grandson of Mathew Carey) succeeded to his interest. After several more changes in the firm, the latter has continued the business as owner to the present time, having lately admitted his grandson as a partner.

JOSEPH CAUFFMAN.

In the list of baptisms registered at St. Joseph's church in Philadelphia, and published in Vol. I of these RECORDS, the first name mentioned is "Cauffman."

Joseph Cauffman, the founder of the family in this country, was born in Strasburg, in Germany, in 1720. He came to Philadelphia in 1749.

In 1762 he contributed fifty-five pounds to the fund for building St. Mary's church in Philadelphia.

His name frequently appears in the records of St. Joseph's and St. Mary's churches.

* Some of these letters have been published in these RECORDS.

He was a pew-holder in the latter church, as published in these RECORDS, from 1887 to 1890, but he was undoubtedly a regular attendant either at St. Joseph's or St. Mary's church from 1749 until he moved from Philadelphia, as his children were baptized in those churches.

In 1799 he was a trustee of St. Mary's church.

When, in 1786 or thereabout, it was proposed to establish an academy at Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, Joseph Cauffman was one of the persons appointed to receive subscriptions in Pennsylvania.*

He does not appear to have been engaged in any profession or mercantile business.

In the *Philadelphia Directory*, in 1785, he is mentioned as "gentleman" living in "Cherry Alley, between Third & Fourth Streets." In 1791 and 1792, as "gentleman" living at "No. 1, Cauffman's Alley." From 1793 to 1804, as "gentleman" living at "No. 14 Cherry St." After that date he retired to one of his farms near Norristown, in Pennsylvania.

Joseph Cauffman, when contemplating the purchase of real estate in Pennsylvania, and fearing that his religious belief might militate against the validity of the titles of his properties, applied to the Assembly of the Province, in conjunction with John Cottringer (also a Catholic), for such legislative action as might enable him to accomplish his purpose. This effort was defeated, as may be seen from the following extracts from the *Colonial Records*, ix, 596:

"May 26th, 1769.

"The Governor laid before the Board a Bill entitled, An Act to enable John Cottringer and Joseph Cauffman to hold Lands in this Province, which was sent to him by the Assembly for his Concurrence." . . .

"The Board, having considered that the Persons mentioned in the Bill are Roman Catholics, and being of Opinion that any Act for

* See Shea's *History*, ii, 308.

Naturalizing such Persons, so as to enable them to hold Lands, would be repugnant to an Act of Parliament, advised the Governor to refuse his assent to said Bill, and refused to sign the Bill."

Mr. Martin I. J. Griffin, in his *American Catholic Historical Researches*, states that on January 31, 1768, Rev. Robert Harding made the following memorandum to the executor and heir nominated in his will:

"Whereas, Mr. Joseph Cauffman, with some other Roman Catholics, as will appear in their deeds in my name, being restrained by Law from purchasing in their own name, This is to declare and certifye yt such Houses and Lands purchased in my Name are ye sole property of ye above sayd Germans, and yt I have no right and title to ye same in justice and in conscience." *

As early as 1767 Joseph Cauffman had purchased land without taking title to it in his own name. On June 30th in that year James White, a merchant in Philadelphia, conveyed to Rev. Robert Harding, (who was an Englishman,) two hundred and twenty-eight acres of land in the township of Providence, in the county of Philadelphia, for £700. Father Harding made acknowledgment that it was "the real and undoubted property of Joseph Cauffman." †

On September 8, 1767, William Parr conveyed to Father Harding for £705 a property on the south side of Cherry street, between Third and Fourth.

On January 4, 1769, Father Harding conveyed this property of Joseph Cauffman.‡

Joseph Cauffman later invested largely in lands in the counties of Philadelphia, Chester, Bucks, Westmoreland, Indiana and Montgomery, in Pennsylvania.

On August 9, 1806, he conveyed to Mark Willcox and Rev. Mathew Carr, O. S. A., three hundred and thirty-two and three-quarters acres of land in Westmoreland, (now

* Original of this memorandum at Georgetown College, D. C.

† *Amer. Cath. Hist. Researches*, July, 1899.

‡ *Ibid.*

Indiana,) County, for the use of the Reverend Brethren of the Order of St. Francis.*

He died February 12, 1807, and was buried in St. Mary's churchyard, in Philadelphia.†

In his will, probated in Philadelphia, he bequeathed to St. Mary's church an annuity of six pounds per annum for the support of poor deserving widows belonging to that church.‡

Joseph Cauffman m. (1st) about 1754, Anna Catharine ———, and had issue:

- (1) Joseph,² b. 1755; d. 3, 7, 1778.§
- (2) Anna Mary,² b. 4, 25, 1761; d. 2, 6, 1821; m. as second wife, 9, 21, 1786, Mark, son of Thomas Willcox, of Concord, in Chester, now Delaware County, Pa. She lived there until she died. She was a warm friend of Rev. Patrick Kenny, who attended the station at that place from 1804 to 1840; and the latter frequently mentioned her name in his diary, a portion of which was published in these RECORDS.||
- (3) John,² b. 4, 30, 1764; d. about 1820; m. 4, 2, 1793, Margaret Wade.
- (4) Catharine,² b. ———; d. ———; m. John Schriver. Her dau. Mary m. ——— Paul. She moved to New York. Her descendants are unknown to the writer.

Joseph Cauffman m. (2d) 11, 27, 1768, at St. Joseph's church, Mary Barbara Arnold (widow of Capt. Edmund Buttler), b. 1741; d. 8, 8, 1787, and had issue:

- (5) Lawrence,² b. 8, 8, 1769; d. 7, 4, 1850; m. 4, 23, 1796, Sarah Falconer, dau. of Robert Shewell.

* Deed recorded in Indiana Co., Book 1, p. 132.

† From *Poulson's Amer. Daily Advertiser*, Feb. 23, 1807: "Died on Wednesday 11th inst. at his plantation in Montgomery County, Mr. Joseph Cauffman in the 87th year of his age. The deceased was an old and respectable inhabitant of this city. His remains were deposited in St. Mary's churchyard."

‡ Abstract from the Cauffman will printed in these RECORDS, iv, 415.

§ Joseph Cauffman² was a surgeon in the U. S. Navy on board the ship *Randolph*, which during an engagement with H. M. frigate *Yarmouth* was blown up on Mar, 7, 1778.

|| The children of Anna Mary Cauffman, who married Mark Willcox, are referred to later in this paper.

- (6) Margaret,² b. 11, 24, 1773; d. 1, 8, 1827, unmarried. Her name appears in the published list of pew-holders in St. Augustine's church from 1801 to 1820. In her will she bequeathed \$100 to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of St. Josephs.
- (7) Ann Theresa,² b. —, 1782; d. 3, 4, 1822, unmarried.
- (3) John Cauffman² (Joseph) and his wife (Margaret Wade) had issue:
- i Sarah,³ b. 5, 19, 1795; bap. at St. Mary's church; d. at St. Louis, Mo., 1848. She m. —, 1825, John Carrell, Jr., of Philada.
 - ii Catharine,³ b. 4, 12, 1797; bap. at St. Mary's church; d. at Ivy Mills, Pa., 1852, unmarried.
 - iii Joseph,³ b. —, 1803; d. —, 1823.
 - iv Theophilus Francis,³ b. 3, 20, 1802; bap. at St. Mary's church; d. Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmittsburg, Md., 1818. (Accidentally killed.)

Sarah Cauffman³ (John²) and her husband John Carrell, Jr., had issue, among others, Anna Margaret and Catharine Josephine.

Anna Margaret, b. —, 1826. She entered the order of the Sisters of Mercy at Louisville, Ky., and d. 6, 8, 1900.

Catherine Josephine, b. —, 1830. She entered the order of the Sacred Heart in Albany, N. Y., in 1875; came to Philadelphia in 1877, when she was appointed mother superior. She returned to Albany in 1890; and finally moved to Manhattanville, N. Y., in 1891, where she d. 6, 3, 1895.

- (5) Lawrence Cauffman,² (Joseph) who m. Sarah Falconer Shewell, had issue:
- i Caroline,³ b. 4, 20, 1801; d. 8, 20, 1879; m. 5, 5, 1825, Hope-well Hepburn, of Easton, Pa. She, with her husband, moved to Pittsburg, Pa., where he was President Judge of the District Court of Allegheny County, 1846-51. He resided in Philadelphia a few years before his death, which occurred 8, 20, 1879.
 - ii Robert Shewell,³ b. 10, 11, 1803; d. 5, 10, 1856; m. (1st) 9, 26, 1832, Susan H., dau. of Daniel Rodney. He m. (2d) 7, 3, 1855, Louisa M. Shadwell. No descendants.
 - iii Emily,³ b. 5, 6, 1806; d. 12, 11, 1876; m. 5, 6, 1836, Charles Rodenbough, of Easton, Pa., b. 10, 1, 1797; d. 8, 26, 1872.
 - iv Julia,³ b. 1, 21, 1809; d. 4, 9, 1887; m. 4, 26, 1843, Robert Churchman, of Delaware. No descendants living.

- v Theophilus Francis,³ b. 1, 12, 1815; d. ———; m. 6, 13, 1839,
Henrietta M. Guernsey.
vi Mary Willcox,³ b. 8, 15, 1818; d. 11, 16, 1869; m. 9, 4, 1844,
Robert Poalk McCullagh, of Philadelphia.

Except through his daughter Anna Mary, who married Mark Willcox, and through his granddaughter Sarah, who married John Carrell, Jr., there are now no living Catholic descendants of Joseph Cauffman.*

THOMAS WILLCOX.

The name of Thomas Willcox does not often appear in the church records in Philadelphia, except as a witness at baptisms performed at his house in Concord. As no church registers prior to 1758 now remain in Philadelphia, there is no record of the baptisms of his ten children, which were undoubtedly performed at his own house.

A history of the missionary station established at his house by Rev. Joseph Greateon, about 1730, was printed in these RECORDS, in vol. vii, p. 389; and a history of the paper-mill built by him in 1727-8-9, in Concord, in vol. viii, p. 28.†

Until 1790 the station at Concord was attended by the priests from St. Joseph's church in Philadelphia. From that date it is believed that it was attended by the priests living at White Clay Creek (Coffee Run), in Delaware, by the Augustinian Rev. John Rosseter, and later by Rev. Charles Whelen, until the arrival of Rev. Patrick Kenny, in August, 1804.‡ Though living at the house of his

* A history of the Cauffman and allied families was prepared by General Theophilus F. Rodenbough (a descendant of Joseph Cauffman), and published by him in 1892, under the title of *Autumn Leaves from Family Trees*. Much of the information in this sketch was copied from that book.

† Where Concord is mentioned in the registers at St. Joseph church, it refers to the station at the house of Thomas Willcox, in Concord Township, Chester Co., Pa. Since 1789, when Chester County was divided, Concord has been in Delaware County. During the last eighty-five years Concord has been called "Ivy Mills."

‡ A sketch of Rev. Patrick Kenny was printed in these RECORDS, vii, 27.

friend Anthony Hearn, four miles from West Chester, Father Kenny assumed jurisdiction over the parishes of West Chester, Concord and Coffee Run, while early in 1806 Wilmington also was included.

Father Kenny appears to have kept his church registers in an unsatisfactory condition for many years, but he finally concluded to put them in a more permanent form. He then copied them all in one book, and on September 25, 1817, he wrote in his diary: "I finished this day registering all baptisms and marriages that I performed since my settling in this country, in Aug., 1804, to this date." This is believed by the writer to be the book now at St. Peter's church in Wilmington.

Living eighteen miles from Philadelphia, Thomas Willcox did not often attend church in that city. Until the station was established at his house, no opportunity was afforded, unless incidentally, for Catholics to be married by a priest in the vicinity of Philadelphia.

In 1727, Thomas Willcox was married to Elizabeth Cole, of Chester, by Herr Samuel Hessellius, pastor of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) church, in Wilmington, Delaware, and the marriage was registered at that church, as usual, in the Swedish language. These records have lately been translated and published by the Historical Society of Delaware.

In the list of marriages by Pastor Hessellius, the following occurs: "Married June 3d, 1727, Thomas Wilcocks and Elizabeth Kohl" [Cole].

The name of Thomas Willcox appears in the list of subscribers to the building of St. Mary's church, Philadelphia, for 20 pounds in 1762.

Some of the paper used by Benjamin Franklin was made by Thomas Willcox.

Franklin's original account books, which are now in the possession of the American Philosophical Society in Phila-

delphia, show that the first purchase of paper from Thomas Willcox was made on June 26, 1735. This, however, was only a coarse, thick paper suitable for the covers of books.

On the other hand, Benjamin Franklin, from his store, supplied Thomas Willcox with a variety of goods, including groceries, hardware, dry-goods, books and stationery.

A few items of such purchases are here inserted partly to show that, early in his career as a printer, Benjamin Franklin was the proprietor of a "department store"; and that the so-called modern institutions of that name were not the first of their kind to be introduced into Philadelphia.

It may reasonably be inferred, from an inspection of the purchases of the "school supplies," that the children of Thomas Willcox were educated at their home; and also that the Franklin *Almanack* was a perennial appendage at the chimney-corner of the Willcox house.

The following have been selected and copied from Franklin's Ledger "A" from many articles charged to the account of Thomas Willcox:

			[L. s. d.]		
1734.	Apr. 9.	For Barclay's Apology.....	7	—	
1736.	Aug. 31.	For barrel Fish.....	1	5	—
		For 20 yds coarse linen at $\frac{1}{10}$	1	16	8
		For 2052 lb Rags @ $1\frac{1}{2}$ d p. lb.....	12	16	6
	Nov. 17.	For Cash 20s & Ink 8d.....	1	0	8
	23.	For Cash.....	10	—	
1737.	Jan. 8.	For a Psalter.....	1	6	
	Feb. 12.	For a spelling book.....	1	—	
	May 3.	For 4 quire pap ^r	6	—	
	June 22.	For Cash & Rice.....	12	6	
	Aug. 13.	For Cash & Coffee.....	1	2	6
	16.	For Cash paid Smith, shoemak ^r	1	11	3
	Sept.	For 2 Testaments.....	4	—	
	Nov. 18.	For postage of a Letter.....	1	3	
1738.	April 17.	For Coffee & an Almanack.....	2	5	
	May 23.	For Wards Reform ⁿ	12	6	
	Dec. 1.	For a Loaf of Sugar.....	7	2	
1739.	Jan. 17.	For Young Man's Comp ⁿ	5	—	
	Mar. 6.	For Arithm ^k & a Psalter.....	4	—	

			[L.	s.	d.]
	Apr.	28.	For a Bible by Humphrey Bate.....	1	10 —
	June	16.	For a Bible & a paper Ink powder.....	8	10
1740.	Feb.	23.	For a Telemachus, Y. M. Com ⁿ & Cash..	1	7 —
	Apr.	5.	For Y. Man's Comp.....	5	—
	May	24.	For Quills & Slates.....	4	10
			For a pair of large Paper moulds.....	12	12 6
			For the Gazette, 3 years.....	1	10 —
	June	29.	Cask of Rice.....	2	15 7
	Aug.	30.	Bible.....	6	—
	Sept ^r	3.	Large Bible.....	1	17 6
	Oct.	17.	17 lb. Chocolate $\frac{3}{6}$; Coffee $\frac{1}{6}$	5	—
1741.	Mar.	28.	2 Magazines.....	1	6
	May	26.	Adv ^t of y ^e Clerk's 3 runaways.....	—	16 —
			Tea Kettle.....	15	—
			Slate pencils 6, Paper 6/.	6	6
1742.	May	16.	Primer.....		6
		29.	Cash by Jonny [oldest son of Thomas Willcox].....	7	6
	July	14.	Cash p. son John.....	3	—
1743.	Feb.	8.	For Postage of 3 Ship Letters.....	1	—
1744.	March	2.	Cash p ^d Shutz for making him 2 molds..	6	— —
1746.	Mar.	11.	Cash p. son 12 ^s ; Poct Book 2 ^s 6.....	14	6

In Ledger "D," page 180, is the following:

			[L.	s.	d.]
Aug ^t 28,	1749.	Settled Accts with Mr. Wilcox & I am Dr			
		to Ballance.....	19	7	8½
		[Signed] B. FRANKLIN,			
		THO ^s WILLCOX.			

This balance was paid to Thomas Willcox on Nov. 19, 1750.

A few samples are here included that have been copied from the assessors' books, which have been preserved in the office of the commissioners of Chester County. They show the amount of tax paid by Thomas Willcox:

			[L.	s.	d.]
1725.	Tho ^s Wilcocks,	Concord.....	2	6	
1726.	Tho ^s Wilcocks,	"	2	—	
1729.	Thomas Willcox,	"	3	6	
1757.	Thomas Wilcocks,	"	2	3	—

After 1763 the items of property are given, thus:

1764.	Thomas Wilcocks, Concord:	[L.	s.	d.]
	100 Acres land & Buildings at £15.....	13	6	
	40 " " uncultivated at 10.....	6	—	
	A Paper Mill at 40.....	1	10	—
	4 horses, 10 cattle, 10 sheep.....	9	6	
	1 Negro man.			
1768.	Thomas Wilcox, Concord:			
	140 Acres & Dwelling @ £26 pr. an.....	1	3	4
	1 Negro man, 1 wench, 6 horses, 6 cattle, 12 sheep.	18	10	
	1 Paper mill @ £15 per an.....	13	6	

Thomas Willcox retired from the active management of his mill soon after his son Mark attained his majority, in 1765. He died Nov. 11, 1779. His will, dated in 1772, is registered at West Chester, Pa. His wife Elizabeth died May 17, 1780. They were both buried in the same grave in the family cemetery near their former home, now called Ivy Mills.

Thomas Willcox was solicitous for the spiritual welfare of his slaves, who were baptized at his house. The baptisms of some of them were registered at St. Joseph's church in 1767 and 1770.

Thomas and Elizabeth Willcox had issue:

- (1) John,² b. June 21, 1728; d. —, 1793, in North Carolina.
 - (2) Ann,² b. May 9, 1730; d. June —, 1765.
 - (3) James,² b. Mar. 23, 1732; d. Feb. —, 1769.
 - (4) Elizabeth,² b. Sept. 7, 1734.
 - (5) Mary,² b. Oct. 8, 1736; d. May 22, 1824.
 - (6) Deborah,² b. Jan. 7, 1738; d. Sept. 5, 1815.
 - (7) Thomas,² b. Dec. 16, 1741; d. young.
 - (8) Mark,² b. Aug. 19, 1744; d. Feb. 7, 1827.
 - (9) Margaret,² b. Oct. 23, 1746; d. unm.
- Another child died an infant.

(1) John Willcox² (Thomas) moved to Cross Creek, now Fayetteville, North Carolina, about 1759. He subsequently moved to Deep River, forty miles northwest of

Fayetteville, where, in 1768, he erected a sawmill and grist-mill. In 1776 he built a blast-furnace and forge there, and during the Revolutionary War cannon and balls were cast at his works;* and during several generations some of his descendants, as one of them has stated to the writer, preserved their inherited share of the useless money received by him for such supplies to the army.

John Willcox² was a member of the Colonial Legislature of North Carolina in 1771, as a Representative for the county of Chatham.†

He was an active member of the "Regulators" of North Carolina prior to the War of the Revolution, and his name frequently appears in Wheeler's history of that State and in the published "Records of North Carolina," in connection with that brave band of patriots.

In the *Life of David Caldwell*, by Caruthers, page 158, it is stated that John Willcox was one of the Regulators who were proclaimed by the authorities as "outlawed."

Having been the pioneer coal-miner in North Carolina, he first discovered a coal-bed near his iron works, in Chatham County, shortly after he erected his furnace. Reference is made to this discovery in the *Report on the Geology of North Carolina*, by Denison Olmstead, Nov., 1824, pp. 18-19.

He married Rebecca Butler, of Philadelphia, whose mother m. (2d) James Byrne, of the same city.

As there was no Catholic church in North Carolina at that time, John Willcox and his wife brought several of their children to Philadelphia to be baptized.

Rebecca, wife of John Willcox, died in North Carolina in August, 1808.

John² and Rebecca Willcox had issue as follows, all of whom were married in North Carolina:

* *Records of N. Carolina*, x, 336, and Wheeler's *Hist. of N. Carolina*, 1851, p. 349.

† *Records of N. Carolina*, ix, 144.

- i Elizabeth,³ b. 3, 15, 1773; bap. 9, 5, 1773, at St. Joseph's church, Philada.; m. ———, Louis Barge.
- ii Mary,³ b. 3, 17, 1775; bap. 7, 11, 1779, at St. Joseph's church; m. ———, James Allston.
- iii John,³ b. 11, 19, 1777; bap. same place and date; d. 1, 2, 1852; m. 8, 27, 1798, Mary Lea. They had 14 children.
- iv Jane, b. ———; d. ———; m. ——— McClenan.
- v Thomas, b. ———; d. ———; m. (1st) Winifred Tally; m. (2d) Margaret McMillan.
- vi James, b. ———; d. ———; m. ———. No descendants.
- vii George, b. —, 1784; d. 7, 5, 1857; m. (1st) Mary Tyson, and had 8 children; m. (2d) 1831, Margaret Martin, and had 5 children.
- viii Rebecca, b. ———; d. ———; m. ———, James Mitchel.

John³ and Thomas³ (sons of John Willcox²) moved to Georgia about 1807, where there are now many descendants of them. In 1857 the county of Willcox, in Georgia, was named in consideration of that numerous family.*

Owing, in a great measure, to the lack of opportunity in former times for attending Catholic churches in North and South Carolina and Georgia, there are now no descendants of John Willcox, in the knowledge of the writer, who are members of that church.

(2) Ann Willcox² (Thomas) m. June —, 1747, James White. In August 25, 1747, the latter purchased a house on the south end of Front street, in Philadelphia, the deed for which, now in the possession of the writer, recites the names of the parties as Thomas Robinson and his wife Mary of the one part, and James White, of Concord Township, in the county of Chester, Chapman, of the other part.

In this house James White lived, and also conducted his business. As a sample of his advertising, the following is copied from the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, published by B. Franklin, Postmaster, and D. Hall, of July 23d, 1752:

* A sketch of John Willcox² was printed in the *Amer. Cath. Hist. Researches*, Jan., 1902.

"A Parcel of likely servants to be sold by James White, near the Draw-bridge; also rum, sugar, molasses, coffee, ginger, and sundry sorts of European goods. N. B. Said White gives ready money for clean linen rags, and has Wilcox's best press paper to sell."

James White was an active member of St. Joseph's church, and he was one of the six men who held title for the property of St. Mary's church in trust from May 10, 1759, until May 23, 1763, when it was deeded to Rev. Robert Harding.*

In the list of baptisms registered at St. Joseph's church and printed in these RECORDS may be seen the names of four of James White's slaves.

He was one of the men who signed the "Non Importation Resolutions" on October 25, 1765. His name appears among the list of subscribers to the building fund for St. Mary's church, in 1762, for £30.

Among the subscriptions towards paying for the old school-house for St. Mary's church in 1781 is £30 from the estate of James White, which was bequeathed by him.

James White d. 2, 8, 1770, aged 66 years. He was buried in St. Mary's churchyard, in the same vault with his wife Ann, who d. June —, 1765. Several of their children were buried in the same vault, but the erosive agents, acting slowly yet relentlessly in their destructive work, have nearly effaced the inscriptions on the tomb.

A sketch of James White, with a list of his children, was printed in these RECORDS, vol. vi, p. 459. One of them, Ann, b. 3, 20, 1759, was the first person buried in St. Mary's churchyard. All of the children were dead, without issue, on Nov. 28, 1782, except James, who was born 6, 16, 1749. The latter was educated at St. Omer, in France. After his return he lived in Philadelphia, and in the deeds for property which he sold he signed his name as "Doctor of Physick." His name appears among the pew-holders in

* *U. S. Cath. Hist. Mag.*, 1838, p. 32.

St. Mary's church from 1787 to 1790. Soon after that date he moved to North Carolina, then to Tennessee, where he was married, and where his son Edward D. White was born at Nashville.* In 1799 he moved to Louisiana, and after the organization of the Territorial Government there he became parish judge of the Attakapas country. He died in December, 1809, at St. Martinsville, in Louisiana, and was buried in the graveyard of the Catholic church there. His son Edward D. White was educated at the University of Tennessee. He was elected to Congress for three terms. He served there from 1829 to 1834, when he resigned, having been elected Governor. He was Governor of Louisiana from 1834 to 1838, and was again elected to Congress, serving from 1839 to 1842. He died in New Orleans in April, 1847.†

(3) James Willcox ² (Thomas) lived on a farm in Middletown Township, Chester County, owned by his father, from 1756 to 1761, when he bought a farm, sawmill and paper-mill in Upper Providence Township, Chester County, on which a portion of the borough of Media, including the railroad station, is now located. On this farm he lived until he died, in 1769.

James Willcox ² m. about 1753, Prudence, dau. of Thomas Doyle, of Lancaster, Pa. As there are no church or family records to show the date of their marriage, the writer has taken the evidence of his shoemaker and neighbor, Nathan Edwards. In the account-book of the latter, now in the possession of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the following, among other items, appear :

* The following has been copied from *The Annals of Tennessee*, by J. G. Ramsey, 1853: "James White of Davidson County, in which the City of Nashville is situated, was elected a representative to the Territorial Assembly of Tennessee, in December, 1793, which met in Knoxville in February, 1794. At the session which met August 25, 1794, he was a member of the Committee on the Judiciary. He presented a bill to establish a University in Greene County, which was passed, under the name of Greenville College. On September 3, 1794, James White, of Davidson County, was elected, by a majority of both houses, a Delegate to Congress."

† Appleton's *Cyclopædia of Amer. Biog.*

"JAMES WILCOCKS. DR.

Oc 4: 1756	to a pr of Shoes for's wife.....	o	6	o
Nov ^r 4 th	a pr Shoes for's girl [Ann].....		5	6
Dec ^r 10 th	to a pr for's son [John].....		3	9
	to mendon a pr for's Boy.....			4"

It thus appears that James Willcox ² had two children in 1756.

In 1766 James Willcox ² was assessed in Upper Providence, as follows:

"52 Acres & ye Buildings.....	7.2
Peaper & Sawmil.....	15.4
2 horses, 4 cows, 1 servant man.....	6.3"

After James Willcox's ² death his widow continued to live on the property and pay the taxes until 1780, when her son Thomas operated the mill.

In 1771 she was assessed as Prudence Willcocks.

In 1773 as Prudy Wilcox.

James ² and Prudence (Doyle) Willcox had issue:

- i Ann,³ b. about 1754; m. Capt. John Cassin, of Philadelphia.*
- ii John,³ b. about 1756; buried 10, 1, 1818; m. Sarah Walton, of Scotland. He was a hatter, and lived and died in Middletown, Del. Co., Pa.
- iii Thomas,³ b. 12, 7, 1758; m. (1st) about 1782, Hannah, dau. of Dr. Thomas Worrall, of Chester, now Del. Co., Pa. He m. (2d) Catharine King, of same county. He was a paper-maker. About 1813 he moved, with his wife, to Columbia Co., Pa.
- iv Mary,³ b. 6, 11, 1763; baptized at St. Joseph's church; d. 4, 20, 1820; m. Peter Scravendyke, of Philadelphia.†
- v Elizabeth,³ m. (1st) Feb., 1785, Capt. Henry Bicker.‡ She m. (2d) William McMurray, and m. (3d) Thomas Hoggard. She was a widow when she died in Sept., 1802.

*See appendix to this paper for a sketch of Capt. John Cassin.

†Peter Scravendyke, b. 1762, was an active member of St. Mary's church. His name appears in the list of trustees of that church from 1802 to 1811. He died 4, 20, 1820, and was buried at St. Mary's, in the same vault with his wife.

‡In the letter book of Flahavan & Willcox is one, dated Apr. 5, 1785, addressed to William England, Jr., in N. Carolina, which stated that "Betsy Willcox was married two months ago."

vi Sabina,³ m. Robert Webb, of Philadelphia. In 1812 he was a jeweler living in Southwark.

vii James,³ m. ———, Mary ———. He was a paper-maker, and as late as 1822 he was living in Middletown, Del. Co.

Prudence (Doyle) Willcox was a widow in August, 1782. At a later time she married Thomas Slator, of Delaware County. They moved to Lancaster, Pa., her old home. Her will, dated 5, 2, 1799, was probated 8, 5, 1801.

(4) Elizabeth Willcox² (Thomas) m. William England, of North Carolina, who in 1776 was a partner of her brother, John Willcox, in the manufacture of iron in that State.

They had one son, William England, who lived in North Carolina, but his descendants are unknown to the writer. The date of the death of Elizabeth Willcox² England is not known, but she was not living when her father wrote his will, in 1772.

(5) Mary Willcox² (Thomas) m. about 1762, John Montgomery. They moved to North Carolina, and remained there until they died.

In connection with John Montgomery, deeds and wills recorded in Wilmington, Delaware, show that he was the son of Alexander, who was the son of John, who came to America between 1720 and 1724, and soon afterwards settled in Mill Creek Hundred, Newcastle County, Delaware. John Montgomery³ (Alexander²) b. 1732, inherited a large tract of land in Newcastle County from his father. One of the deeds, signed John Montgomery³ and Mary his wife, dated May 2, 1771, was witnessed by Mark Willcox.

John Montgomery and his wife moved to Rowan County, North Carolina, near where John Willcox had settled.

In 1771, John Montgomery³ was senior captain at the battle of Alamance, or the "Battle of the Regulators,"

and was wounded at the second firing of Tryon's cannon. (Caruthers' *Life of David Caldwell*, p. 156.)

On Oct. 17, 1775, he was elected a member of the Safety Committee in Rowan County, pursuant to a Resolve of Congress, held at Hillsborough, August 20, 1775. (*Col. Records of N. C.*, x, 280). He d. 2, 14, 1818, and was buried near his home, at the "Gulf," in Chatham County, N. C. His wife d. 5, 22, 1824, and was buried with her husband.

John and Mary² (Willcox) Montgomery had issue:

1. Elizabeth, m. in succession two cousins named James Gaines.
2. Ann, m. (1st) James Brenan, and (2d) John McCoy.
3. Margaret, m. Thomas Waddell.
4. Deborah, b. 3, 3, 1770; bap. at the house of her grandfather, Thomas Willcox, at Concord, Pa., 7, 1, 1770; d. 5, 22, 1824; m. Jan. —, 1792, Gabriel Dubrutz, b. in France in 1763; d. 3, 14, 1824. They had 10 children.

(6) Deborah Willcox² (Thomas) m. (1st) Bernard Doyle, of Ireland.

She m. (2d) 1762, Bartholomew Sutton,* of Philadelphia, b. 1716. No descendants. On Nov. 13, 1766, "Bartholomew Sutton, merchant, of Philada.," bought 30 acres of land in Middletown, Chester County, Pa. (1½ miles west of the present borough of Media). He moved there, and kept a store until he died, on 11, 13, 1794. His wife Deborah died 9, 5, 1815, and was buried in the family cemetery at Ivy Mills.

Children of Bernard and Deborah² (Willcox) Doyle:

- i William B. Doyle,³ b. 1758; m. (1st) Elizabeth Pusey, b. 1760; d. 1, 4, 1794, and had issue:

*The license for the marriage of Bartholomew Sutton was dated 4, 8, 1762. He subscribed £16 in 1762 for building St. Mary's church. Although he lived in the country, 14 miles from Philada., his name appears in the printed list of pew holders in St. Mary's church in 1782, and from 1787 to 1790. In his will dated in 1786, he directed that a tombstone be placed over the grave of his wife's first husband.

1. Deborah,⁴ b. 9, 29, 1789; baptized 12, 13, 1789, by Rev. Francis Beeston, and registered at St. Mary's church; d. 8, 8, 1844. She m. (1st) 5, 25, 1808, Joseph Pennell, of Del. Co., Pa., b. 10, 14, 1782; d. 6, 15, 1820. She m. (2d) Levi Hart, b. 1787; d. 7, 10, 1835. No children.
2. Mary Ann,⁴ b. 5, 14, 1793; d. 6, 9, 1809, at Chelsea, Del. Co., Pa.; killed by lightning.
- i William B. Doyle,³ m. (2d) Sarah Elliott. No children. He died in Philadelphia, 7, 25, 1828, and was buried in the family cemetery at Ivy Mills.*
- ii Mary Ann,³ m. 11, 1, 1780, Peter Wade, b. 11, 10, 1738; d. in Philadelphia, 2, 13, 1830, and had two daughters, viz.: Elizabeth, b. 8, 12, 1782; m. Jeremiah McCarty; and Deborah, b. 2, 7, 1787; d. 2, 7, 1858, unm., and was buried in the family cemetery at Ivy Mills.

(8) Mark Willcox ² (Thomas), soon after his majority, in 1765, succeeded his father in the management of the paper-mill; and after the death of the latter, in 1779, he inherited it. During the war of the Revolution he was actively engaged in making paper for the Continental notes, for the Loan Office certificates, for the use of Congress, and for the currency of Pennsylvania. An account of some of the papers, especially for bank-notes, made by Mark Willcox, was printed in these RECORDS, viii, pp. 35-43, and in Ashmead's *History of Delaware County*. Among the letters addressed to Mathew Carey, now in possession of Lea, Brothers & Co., is one from his agent, Thomas Allen, written in New York on February 7, 1792, as follows: "Davis' Sermons will make 3 vols., 8vo, about 450 pages each vol., printed on the paper of Mr. Wilcocks. Please engage 200 Reams."

A *Concise Natural History of East and West Florida*, by Captain Bernard Romans, illustrated with twelve copper plates and two maps, was published in New York in 1775, on paper made by Mark Willcox. Early in that year a

* Rev. Patrick Kenny in his diary, on July 26, 1828, when at Ivy Mills, wrote: "William Doyle's funeral arrived from Phila. at 2 p. m., Mr. & Mrs. Willcox absent—no previous notice had been sent."

notice appeared in *Rivington's Gazette* stating that this book was delayed by the non-arrival of the paper from the Willcox mill.

At a meeting of the Provincial Conference held in Philadelphia on June 19, 1776, it was resolved that a provincial convention be called to form a new government in this province, on the authority of the people only; and on June 23d Mark Willcox was appointed one of the judges of election in Chester County for Deputies to the Provincial Convention (*Colonial Records*, xv, 425).

In 1774 Mark Willcox was one of the persons authorized by Robert Bell to receive subscriptions for Bishop Challoner's *Catholic Christian Instructed* (Shea's *Hist.*, pp. 139-40).

In 1782 his name appears among the subscribers for building new pews and gallery in St. Mary's church for £25. He was one of the trustees mentioned in the Act of Incorporation of St. Mary's church, enacted Sept. 13, 1788. (These RECORDS, iv, 270.) He was one of the trustees who held title to the property of Christ church in West Chester, Pa., from 1793 to 1809. (Deed registered in West Chester).

In 1787 he was appointed to receive subscriptions to establish Georgetown College. (Shea's *Hist.*, p. 308.)

In 1791 he was appointed by Governor Thomas Mifflin one of the associate judges of Delaware County, which office he held until about 1824.

He was a member of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, which met in Philadelphia in 1788.

In 1798 and in 1807 he manumitted two of his slaves. (Deeds recorded at Media, in Delaware County.)

After the death of John Flahavan, his brother-in-law, Mark Willcox, succeeded him in the business with Thomas Flahavan, in 1784, under the firm name of Flahavan & Willcox. One of their letter-books has been preserved, and

is now in the library of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. The letters show that their business consisted chiefly in transporting produce, in sloops, from Wilmington, Newberne and Washington, North Carolina, and shipping the same to Dublin, London, Rotterdam and Amsterdam. They had a warehouse at Fayetteville, North Carolina, where their agent, Thomas Newman, collected country produce, especially tobacco, and sold imported goods.

Judging from what follows, in the shipment of school books to North Carolina, the firm materially assisted in the education of the youth of that thinly-settled State.

In the "Philadelphia Library" is an original book, *The Waste Book of Robert Aitkin, Printer and Bookseller*. On page 189 in the "Ledger" is an account of purchases by Mark Willcox; among them the following:

			[L. s. d.]
"1784.	June 6.	To 5 small books for children.....	9 6
1786.	Feb. 14.	To 1000 spelling books @ 6 ^d each..	25
		To 500 Spelling books @ 6 ^d each...	6 5
	July 31.	To sundries, including 22 doz. sp. books.....	14"

It may be interesting to note that, at the time referred to above, the chief commodities exported from North Carolina were tobacco, corn, lard, rice, deerskins, tar, pitch and turpentine. No cotton or rosin was in evidence. During the continuance of the partnership Mark Willcox divided his time and attention between his business in Philadelphia and his paper-mill.

As to the condition of affairs shortly after the termination of the war of the Revolution. Flahavan & Willcox wrote, on April 14, 1784, to one of their foreign correspondents:

"Congress has come to no resolutions respecting our commerce, nor can they without the concurrence of the States; all Congress can do is

to recommend; the States individually may pass laws to enforce the same, if they think fit; however, nothing of this kind is yet passed." . . .

In the *Philadelphia Directory* for 1785, Flahavan & Willcox were located at No. 925 Front St.

A notice, as follows, appeared in Mathew Carey's *Herald*, of May 11, 1785:

"Flahavan & Willcox— Mdse.
Front St., 4 doors from the Drawbridge."

In 1793 the firm of Flahavan & Willcox was dissolved.

Mark Willcox² d. 2, 17, 1827, and was buried in the family cemetery at Ivy Mills. At the time of his death he and his father had operated their paper-mill ninety-eight years.

Mark Willcox² m. (1st) 4, 18, 1779, at St. Joseph's church, Mary, dau. of Roger Flahavan,* and had issue:

- i Eleanor,³ b. 5, 5, 1780; bap. at her father's house in Concord. She was educated, partly, at the Moravian Seminary for Young Ladies at Bethlehem, Pa., where her name appears in the list of students during the term of 1795. She m. 6, 2, 1801, William Jenkins, of Baltimore. A list of their children will be given later in this paper. She d. 6, 19, 1816, in Baltimore.
- ii Thomas,³ b. 7, 12, 1782; was educated at Georgetown College. In a letter of Rev. Robert Molyneux, dated at Georgetown College, Nov. 12, 1794, addressed to Mathew Carey, he wrote: "My compliments to Mr. Willcox. His boy is well." Thomas Willcox d. 2, 14, 1806, unm., and was buried at Ivy Mills.
- iii John,³ b. 10, 24, 1784; bap. at St. Joseph's church; d. in infancy.

Mark Willcox² m. (2d) Anna Mary, dau. of Joseph Cauffman (concerning whom see one of the preceding sketches), and had issue:

- iv Joseph,³ b. 8, 8, 1787; bap. 8, 24, 1787, at St. Mary's church by Rev. Francis Beeston; d. 1, 14, 1815, unm., and was buried at Ivy Mills. He was admitted by his father as a partner in the

*For sketch of Roger Flahavan, see page 415.

paper business in 1808. Being in feeble health, he passed the winter of 1813-14 in Augusta, Georgia, having traveled both ways accompanied only by a servant. The following has been taken from *Poulson's American Advertiser* of Jan. 21, 1815:

"Died—in this city, on Saturday last, sincerely regretted by a numerous acquaintance, in the twenty-eighth year of his age, Mr. Joseph Willcox, son of Mark Willcox, Esqr., of Delaware County. His parents have to lament the loss of an affectionate son—his friends an agreeable and kind associate—and the public a useful, active and benevolent citizen. He was interred in the family burying ground at Concord on Tuesday."

v John,³ b. 4, 16, 1789; bap. 4, 22, 1789, at St. Mary's church, by Rev. Robert Molyneux. He was admitted by his father as a partner in the paper business in 1811.

In 1814 an independent company of cavalry was formed in Delaware County for service in the war with England. John Willcox was active in its organization, and he was elected captain. The company was later encamped for some time at Marcus Hook. In connection with this company, the following is a copy of an original paper, in the handwriting of John Willcox, which is now in the library of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania:

"The subscribers being willing to render their country all the service in their power at this important crisis, and to join and assist in protecting their family and property from the ravages and plunder of an invading force—do agree to form themselves into a Company of Cavalry—to be governed by such rules and regulations and commanded by such officers as shall be adopted and agreed upon by the members. The election of officers to be held whenever a sufficient number of members shall have signed their names.

"Sept. 6th, 1814."

This paper was signed by twenty-five of the well-known residents of Delaware County, but the company was finally composed of a larger number.

John Willcox³ d. 7, 16, 1826, and was buried at Ivy Mills. Rev. Patrick Kenny wrote in his diary, on Sunday, July 16, 1826:

"Called from church [at West Chester] by John Gilmore to visit John Willcox. Arrived at Judge Willcox's about 6

p. m. found my Dear friend in the agony—administered him as ‘in extremis.’ This invaluable young man expired in about one hour after I had anointed him. Req. in pace—Amen—This is a severe dispensation of Divine Providence—severe in the extreme to the aged Judge, his venerable father. . . . This premature death is an electric stroke to me—my intended executor is no more!”

The following appeared in *Poulson's American Advertiser* of July 19, 1826:

“Died—on Sunday evening last, at his late residence in Concord, Delaware County, Mr. John Willcox, after a severe indisposition of about a week's continuance.”*

John Willcox³ m. 5, 13, 1823, Elizabeth (dau. of Capt. James Brackett, of Quincy, Mass.), b. 2, 7, 1803; d. 4, 24, 1879. No descendants living. After the death of John Willcox, his widow m. 11, 16, 1830, John Marston, Jr., of Boston, Mass., b. 6, 12, 1795; d. 4, 7, 1885; commissioned midshipman in U. S. N. 4, 5, 1813; commodore 7, 16, 1862. He was on the frigate “Roanoke,” in command of the fleet at Hampton Roads, in 1862, when the “Merrimac” destroyed the “Congress” and the “Cumberland.” He was afterwards made rear-admiral.

vi James Mark,³ b. 4, 12, 1791; bap. at St. Joseph's church. After his father's death, in 1827, he inherited and operated the paper-mill. In 1829 he rebuilt the old mill, which had been running one hundred years. In 1837 he built a new paper-mill at Glen Mills, two miles from Ivy Mills; and in 1845 he built another paper-mill near the same place. He donated the land on which the church of St. Thomas was built at Ivy Mills, the title having been conveyed from the former owner, Nicholas Walter, directly to Bishop Neumann, in trust, by deed dated August 26, 1852, and he contributed chiefly to the erection of the church.†

* Reference is made to John Willcox in these RECORDS, viii, 56.

† While contemplating the erection of a church near his home at Ivy Mills, James M. Willcox was still anxious to retain a private chapel in his house—a privilege that was granted, as may be seen by the following permit to him, and later to his son Mark:

PERMIT TO HAVE A HOUSE CHAPEL GRANTED TO JAMES M. AND MARK WILLCOX.

“FRANCIS PATRICK KENRICK, By the Grace of God and the Holy See, Bishop of Philadelphia.

“To all whom it may concern:

“We certify and make known that in consideration of the usage subsisting for a century and upwards and of the exceptional piety of the family, we have allowed and do

James M. Willcox was one of the active promoters in the building of St. Michael's church in Chester, the corner-stone of which was laid on September 29, 1842; and on June 29, 1843, the church was dedicated.

For many years the Catholic workmen in the stone quarries near Leiperville were not afforded a convenient opportunity for attending regularly the services of their own church. At irregular intervals Mass was offered in a dwelling in the vicinity, and at other times some of the workmen and their families attended the services at the private chapel at Ivy Mills, nine miles distant.

The Catholics at Leiperville and vicinity were anxious to have a church convenient to them, and, although there were only one or two Catholic families living at Chester at that time, James M. Willcox advised the erection of the church there.

For several years, until 1850, however, the congregation at Chester was not large enough to maintain a resident priest.

He promoted the construction of the West Chester and Philadelphia Railroad, via Media, the first proposition for building which was made by him at a meeting of a few of his neighbors held at his house, and he was the first subscriber to its stock.

Following the example of his father, he devoted special attention to the manufacture of paper for bank-notes, for use both in the United States and in South America.* Profiting by his experience, as well as their own, his sons were able to supply the bank-note and bond papers which were required to relieve the financial necessities of the National Treasury during the progress of the late Civil War.

James Mark Willcox ³ m. (1st) by Rev. Patrick Kenny, 10, 4, 1813, Eliza (dau. of Capt. James Orne, of Portsmouth, N. H.). She was received into the Catholic Church by Father Kenny on Oct. 1, 1816.

Hoping to recruit the ill health of his wife, James Willcox ³ accompanied her on a cruise to Savannah, Georgia. On Oct. 19, 1816, Father Kenny wrote in his diary:

hereby allow the celebration of Mass in the private oratory of James M. Willcox, at Ivy Mills, Delaware County, even in case of the erection of a church in the vicinity.

" Given under our hand at Philadelphia this IV day October, 1851.

[Signed]

" FRANCIS PATRICK,

" Archbishop of Baltimore."

" We confirm with great pleasure all the privileges conceded by our illustrious predecessor to the family oratory of Mark Willcox, Esq.

[Signed]

" JAMES FREDERICK,

" Bishop of Philada."

" Philadelphia, Oct. 5, 1869.

* In connection with this business, see these RECORDS, viii, 88, *et seq.* See also vii, 452.

"Celebrated [Mass] at Jas. Willcox's, who is preparing for a voyage by sea to Savannah with his wife Eliza. She is so ill that I think the voyage not only useless, but calculate it must hurry her to that bourne from which there is no return."

Father Kenny wrote under this at a later date: "Died in Savannah 28 Jan., 1817."

James Willcox and his wife went aboard the vessel at Chester on Oct. 23, 1816. After her death at Savannah, her remains were brought home, and interred at Ivy Mills.

James Mark Willcox ³ m. (2d) 11, 1, 1819, Mary (dau. of Capt. James Brackett, of Quincy, Mass.), b. 9, 9, 1796; d. 3, 21, 1866, and was buried at Ivy Mills.*

vii Elizabeth,³ b. 2, 7, 1793; d. 3, 22, 1811, unm., and was buried at Ivy Mills. One of the bills paid for her education in Philadelphia (now before the writer) reads thus:

"1806. Mar. 1. Miss Eliza Wilcox to Daniel Jaudon. Dr.	
For 90 days' tuition of dear self.....	5.00
. . . quills, ink, specimen-paper, copy books, use of	} 1.00
library, maps, globes, slates, lead pencils, and slate	
pencils.....	
	Dollars 6.00

Late o; ab. many	} times.
For lessons, ex. 9	
Behaviour, amiable.	

Received payment,

"D. JAUDON."

Rev. Patrick Kenny wrote in his diary on July 27, 1818:

"Mrs. Higgs, of Bermuda, whose grandfather laid the 1st stone of the old chapel of St. Joseph's—came to America with the Willcox family of Concord."

*For sketch of Mrs. Mary Brackett Willcox, see these RECORDS, vii, 395. Mrs. Willcox, a convert to the Catholic Church in 1842, was born and raised in Quincy, Mass., where her ancestor Richard Brackett settled in 1630. The bigotry instilled into her mind, both by her early associations and by inheritance from many long lines of Puritan ancestry, was not easily overcome in her case. The prejudices against the Church of her final adoption had passed to her through many generations from such men as Rev. Robert Parker, 1564-1614, a Puritan divine, who in 1607 was obliged to leave England to avoid prosecution before the high commission. Rev. John Woodbridge, b. 1492, a follower of Wiclif, had four descendants in regular succession who followed the same profession and faith. Mrs. Willcox was descended from all of them, as well as from several other divines, such as Rev. John Ward, who d. in 1596, from his son Rev. Nathaniel Ward, 1570-1653, and his grandson Rev. John Ward, 1606-1693, and Rev. John Clarke, 1670-1705; also from one of the most pronounced Puritans, Thomas Dudley, 1576-1653, second Governor of the Colony of Massachusetts Bay.

APPENDIX.

CAPT. JOHN CASSIN.

In the preceding sketch of Thomas Willcox it was stated that his granddaughter Ann Willcox married Capt. John Cassin.

Captain John Cassin, born in Philadelphia 7, 16, 1760, was baptized at St. Joseph's church. He was the son of Joseph Cassin, who was born in Dublin, Ireland, and who came to Philadelphia in 1725. The latter married Elizabeth ——— at a time prior to the date of any church record now extant.

Joseph Cassin attended St. Joseph's church, and was also a pew-holder, at a later time, in St. Mary's church. His name appears in the list of subscribers to the fund for building St. Mary's church, in 1762, for £5, and for the "Burying Ground" £2.10. He lived in Southwark.

He entertained no relish for quarrels, if one may judge by his will, although some of his descendants did not hesitate to fight when their duty required such action. He died early in 1794. In his will, dated 3, 20, 1794, and probated in Philadelphia 4, 24, 1794, he appointed as executors his "dutiful son John and good friend Thomas Shortal," with the request that

"they use every possible endeavor to prevent strife or disputes of every kind from taking place in the family, in case any shall be like to arise."

In the will it was further stated:

"As for my daughter, Ann Mullin, now dead, I do order her share to be equally divided between her two sons, provided they behave themselves as good and sober lads; otherwise to be cut off from any share and their part to be divided as the executors may judge best."

Joseph and Elizabeth Cassin had issue:

- i Luke,² b. 1758; buried 2, 21, 1838; m. Ann, dau. of Dr. Thomas Worrall.
- ii John,² b. 7, 16, 1760; bap. at St. Joseph's church; d. at Charleston, S. C., 3, 24, 1822; m. Ann, dau. of James and Prudence (Doyle) Willcox.
- iii Joseph,² b. 9, 4, 1762; bap. at St. Joseph's church.
- iv Ann,² b. ———; m. ——— Mullin.
- v Dennis,² b. 2, 30, 1769; bap. at St. Joseph's church.
- vi James,² b. 7, 19, 1771; bap. at St. Joseph's church.

Among the children of Luke and Ann (Worrall) Cassin was Thomas,³ b. 1786; d. 1859; m. Rachael Sharples. He settled in Concord, Delaware County, Pa.

Among his children were John and Isaac.

John Cassin ⁴ (Thomas) b. 9, 6, 1813; d. 1, 10, 1869, in Philadelphia. He was an active member of the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia and a distinguished student and writer, especially on the subject of ornithology. His brother Isaac S. Cassin, b. 7, 26, 1826, was also distinguished in his profession as a hydraulic engineer, and was at one time superintendent of the Philadelphia water-works.

As none of the descendants of Joseph Cassin are now members of the Catholic Church, except through his son John, who married Ann Willcox, it is proposed to deal particularly with him and some of his descendants.

John Cassin ² was, first, master of a merchantman, and was twice shipwrecked. He then entered the United States Navy, and later he commanded the naval forces in the Delaware River for the protection of Philadelphia during the War of 1812. (*Appleton's Cyclopedia of Amer. Biog.*)

His record at the Navy Department is, in part, as follows:

"1800. Jan. 16. Appointed a Lieutenant to take rank from Nov. 13, 1799.

- " 1801. Apr. 15. Retained and ordered for the Philadelphia.
- " 1804. Feb. 2. Commandant of the Navy Yard, Washington, to receive the pay and rations of a Master Commandant.
- " 1804. Nov. 3. Ordered to Philadelphia to recruit.
- " 1806. Apr. 28. Promoted to Master Commandant, and commission dated and to take rank April 23, 1806.
- " 1812. Jul. 10. Captain under confirmation of the Senate.
- " 1822. Mar. 24. Died at Charleston, S. C."

Capt. John ² and Ann (Willcox) Cassin had issue:

- Stephen,³ b. in Philadelphia, 2, 6, 1783; m. Margaretta Abernethy, of Philadelphia.
- Joseph,³ m. his cousin, Eliza Willcox.
- Eliza Ann,³ m. Capt. Joseph Tarbell.
- John,³ b. 7, 23, 1791; bap. by Rev. L. Graessl, at St. Joseph's church; d. young.

Stephen Cassin ³ (John ²), who m. Margaretta Abernethy, entered the navy as midshipman Feb. 21, 1800; became a lieutenant Feb. 12, 1807; master Sept. 11, 1814; captain Mar. 3, 1825. He served with distinction in the war with Tripoli. He commanded the "Ticonderoga" in Macdonough's victory on Lake Champlain, and was rewarded by Congress with a gold medal for bravery in that action. He was a terror to the pirates that infested the West Indies, and captured four of their vessels on 28 and 29 Sept., 1822. (*Appleton's Cyclopaedia of Amer. Biog.*). He d. 8, 29, 1857, in Georgetown, D. C.

Joseph Cassin ³ (John ²), who m. Eliza Willcox, was a purser in the United States Navy. The following is his record of service in the Navy Department:

- " 1817. Dec. 29. Appointed a Purser.
- " 1819. May 17. Ordered hence to Norfolk to the 'John Adams.'
- " 1819. June 22. Ordered hence to New York on duty.
- " 1819. Sep. 18. Report to Commodore Tingey as Purser of Receiving ship.
- " 1821. Feb. 17. Ordered hence to Portsmouth, N. H., to the 'Porpoise.'
- " 1821. — —. Died on board the 'Porpoise' at Pensacola, Fla."

Joseph ³ and Eliza (Willcox) Cassin had no children.

Eliza Ann Cassin ³ (John ²) m. Joseph Tarbell, b. about 1780; d. in Norfolk, Va., Nov. 24, 1815. He entered the navy as midshipman Dec. 5, 1798; was promoted to lieutenant Aug. 25, 1800, and served in Preble's squadron during the war with Tripoli. He was included in the vote of thanks to Preble and his officers by act of Congress March 3, 1805. He was promoted to master-commandant Apr. 25, 1808, and commanded the frigate "John Adams" in 1811-14; commissioned captain July 24, 1813, and rendered good service in defence of Craney Island and James River in June, 1813, capturing three barges and forty prisoners when the British were repelled in this attack. He was then stationed at Norfolk, where he died. (*Appleton's Cyclopedia of Amer. Biog.*)

Capt. Stephen Cassin ³ (John ²), who m. Margaretta Abernethy, had thirteen children, among whom was John,⁴ who was appointed midshipman May 10, 1820; lieutenant May 7, 1828; died Oct. 16, 1837, from the effect of sun-stroke received while on duty in the U. S. Navy in the West Indies.

A granddaughter of Capt. Stephen Cassin,³ in a late letter to the writer, stated: "All of the many descendants of my grandfather are Catholics—as far as I know."

THOMAS JENKINS.

The family of Jenkins is one of the oldest in Maryland. Mr. Michael Jenkins, of Baltimore, in a late letter to the writer, states:

"In my research I discovered from the old wills and records, in Annapolis, that Thomas Jenkins and his wife Ann settled in Charles County in 1670, and made claim to 100 acres of land, which was granted to them. The same date he bought of the Lords Proprietary 500 acres, a part of the St. Thomas' Manor. It has been the belief of our family, though never established, that Thomas Jenkins came from Wales. We

know that our people sailed from Bristol, near Wales, under the patronage of Charles Calvert."

"William Jenkins (believed to be the son of Thomas) was born in 1670, and we find him and his family in 1690 living at White Plains, in St. Mary's County. His son Michael moved to Long Green."

It is proposed to include in this paper only that branch of the Jenkins family which has intermarried with several of those referred to in the preceding sketches. The chart will stand thus:

Thomas Jenkins m. Ann Spalding.

William Jenkins,² b. 1670; m. Mary, dau. of Lieut. Thomas Courtney. They had eight children, one of whom was

Michael Jenkins,³ b. Dec. 2, 1736; m. Dec. 21, 1761, Charity Ann Wheeler. They had ten children, one of whom was

William Jenkins,⁴ b. 2, 5, 1767; d. 2, 21, 1843. He was a prominent merchant of Baltimore. He was one of the charter members and one of the first directors of the Northern Central Railway, then the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad.

He m. (1st) 4, 21, 1793, Ann, dau. of Solomon Hillen, and had issue:

i Mary Ann,⁵ b. 6, 4, 1799; d. 3, 18, 1873; m. 1, 31, 1831, William Kennedy, b. 2, 26, 1801; d. 10, 4, 1873. During their lifetime they donated a part of the ground belonging to the old homestead, and erected thereon the church of St. Ann, which was used for service many years before it was consecrated on 10, 1, 1896. Their daughter, Sarah Primer, b. 11, 10, 1842; d. 3, 19, 1883; m. 1, 31, 1866, William M. Boone. In her will she bequeathed the money to complete the transept of this church, which was built at an expense of \$20,000.*

William Jenkins ⁴ m. (2d) 6, 2, 1801, Eleanor, b. 5,

* In the church are two tablets inscribed in commemoration of its builders, William Kennedy and his wife, Mary Ann Jenkins, and William Marshall Boone and his wife, Sarah Primer Kennedy.

15, 1780; d. 6, 19, 1816, dau. of Mark Willcox, of Ivy Mills, Delaware Co., Pa., and had issue:

- ii Thomas Courtney,⁵ b. 1, 19, 1802; d. 12, 24, 1881; m. 1, 28, 1830, at the Cathedral in Baltimore, Louisa, b. 5, 14, 1805; d. 6, 7, 1882; dau. of John Carrell, of Philadelphia. (See one of the preceding sketches.)
- iii Mark Willcox,⁵ b. 1, 19, 1804; d. 7, 13, 1871; m. 1, 31, 1826, Ann Maria, dau. of Josias Hillen, of Maryland.
- iv Edward,⁵ b. 5, 14, 1806; d. 4, 23, 1875; m. (1st) at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, 5, 19, 1829, Julianna Frances, b. 6, 19, 1809; d. 2, 26, 1846, at Havana, dau. of Bazil S. Elder, of Baltimore.
He m. (2d) at St. Stephen's church, Nicetown, Philadelphia, 10, 12, 1847, Ellen Mary, b. 5, 11, 1816; d. 1, 7, 1889; dau. of Anthony Rufner, of Nicetown.
- v James Willcox,⁵ b. 12, 29, 1808; d. 1, 21, 1887; m. ———, Margaret, dau. of John Kennedy. Their son, Rev. Charles Jenkins, S. J., died recently.
- vi William,⁵ d. young.
- vii Joseph Willcox,⁵ b. 2, 14, 1814; d. 2, 2, 1897; m. (1st) Mary, dau. of William Hawkins, of Philadelphia.
He m. (2d) ———, 1854, Gertrude, dau. of Adam Seckel, of Philadelphia.
- viii Eleanor,⁵ d. young.*

Thomas Courtney Jenkins ⁵ (William ⁴) was for many years a prominent merchant and financier in Baltimore. He was one of the earlier directors of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Central Ohio Railroads. He was a pioneer in many of the transportation enterprises, and he was one of the charter members and first president of the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company, established in 1854. During many years, and until his death, his hospitable house was frequently the temporary home of many of the prelates of the Church, especially during their attendance at the councils held in Baltimore.

* In 1877 a chart of the Jenkins family was printed, as a broadside, on a large sheet of paper from data collected by Mark Willcox Jenkins prior to 1869, and continued and compiled by his son John to January 1, 1877. Some of the information in this sketch was obtained by the writer from this chart.

Mrs. Louisa Carrell Jenkins, who had survived her husband Thomas C. Jenkins,⁵ a few days before she died, on 6, 7, 1882, said to one of her daughters: "I wish you would build a chapel in memory of your father." This request was carried into effect by her children, Messrs. George, Michael, Joseph, and Misses Eliza and Ellen Jenkins. The corner-stone of the church was laid in 1885; and the church was consecrated on January 1, 1891, by Cardinal Gibbons, in the presence of Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, who preached the sermon; of Bishops Foley of Detroit, Northrop of Charleston, Keane of the Catholic University, Van de Ver of Richmond, and Curtis of Wilmington, besides many priests and a large concourse of the laity, including the writer of this paper. The bronze tablet on the sanctuary wall contains the following inscription:

"This church was erected in honor of the Most Blessed Sacrament and in Memory of Thomas C. Jenkins, by his wife Louisa Carrell Jenkins."

A full account of the ceremonies at the consecration of this church was published in the *Baltimore Sun* on January 2, 1901, a copy from which is in the library of the AMERICAN CATHOLIC HISTORICAL SOCIETY.



WILLIAM JENKINS,

1767-1843.

Engraving by John Sartain, 1843, from painting by Sarah Peale, 1828.



THOMAS C. JENKINS,

1802-1881.

Engraving by Hall of New York, from a photograph taken in 1880, and a painting by Dabour of New York from photograph.



WILLIAM KENNEDY,

1801-1873.

Engraving from painting about 1833.



MISS ELLEN ANN CARRELL,
1798-1875.

From daguerreotype in possession of Mrs. Hutton.



MRS. ELEANOR BYRNE MAHER,
1783-1858.

From daguerreotype in possession of Mrs. Mary
Augusta Hutton, Montgomery Co., Md.



MRS. MARY ANN JENKINS KENNEDY,
1799-1873.

From painting by Sarah Peale, about 1832.



MRS. SARAH KENNEDY BOONE,

1842-1883.

From photograph taken in 1881.



MISS GEORGINA DIAMOND,
1825-1875.
From daguerreotype in possession of Mrs. Hutton.



MRS. MARY BRACKETT WILLCOX,
1796-1866.
From daguerreotype taken about 1848.



CORPUS CHRISTI,
Jenkins Memorial Church, Baltimore, Md.
Consecrated January 1, 1891.



INTERIOR OF JENKINS MEMORIAL CHURCH,
Baltimore, Md,



ST. ANN'S CHURCH!

Baltimore, Md.

Consecrated October 4, 1896.

Erected by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kennedy, transept afterwards built by bequest of their daughter, Sarah Boone.



Henry C. Carey

HENRY C. CAREY.

1793-1879.

Son of Mathew Carey and grandson of Roger Flahavan.

From a portrait engraved by J. Sartain, in 1870.

Plate loaned by Henry Carey Baird.

